

## Water and Sewer Rate Comparisons — Hillsborough vs. N.C. Systems

The following chart compares Hillsborough's water/sewer rates with the median rates for North Carolina systems and for the Neuse River Basin, where Hillsborough lies.

### ***Rates: Hillsborough vs. North Carolina Systems***

*Per 5,000 gallons – January 2016*

	<i>In-Town</i>	<i>Out-of-Town</i>
Hillsborough Water	\$40.35	\$78.70
N.C. Median Water	\$31.80	\$49.78
Neuse River Basin Median Water	\$34.91	\$54.75
Triangle J Median Water	\$32.23	\$54.31
Hillsborough Sewer	\$60.65	\$115.89
N.C. Median Sewer	\$38.88	\$62.00
Neuse River Basin Median Sewer	\$47.50	\$76.95
Triangle J Median Sewer	\$38.88	\$70.62
Hillsborough Water & Sewer Combined	\$101.00	\$194.59
N.C. Median Water & Sewer Combined	\$70.68	\$111.78
Neuse River Basin Median Water & Sewer Combined	\$82.41	\$131.70
Triangle J Median Water & Sewer Combined	\$71.10	\$124.93

Source: UNC Environmental Finance Center/N.C. League of Municipalities Survey

The chart below shows the number of residential water and sewer rate structures in North Carolina that are higher than Hillsborough. **Note:** Hillsborough charges commercial and residential customers the same rate. Of the responding systems in the state, 118 charge commercial customers different rates.

### ***North Carolina Rate Structures with Higher Residential Rates than Hillsborough***

*Per 5,000 Gallons*

<i>Service</i>	<i>In-Town</i>	<i>Out-of-Town</i>
Water	91	18
Sewer	36	19

Source: UNC-Environmental Finance Center/N.C. League of Municipalities Survey

**Note:** Information for both charts comes from a January 2016 survey conducted through a partnership between the UNC Environmental Finance Center and the N.C. League of Municipalities. Of the 522 N.C. utilities contacted for the survey, 418 responded, with some using more than one rate structure for portions of their service areas. These utilities serve about 7.3 million North Carolinians and account for 95 percent of the population served by community water and wastewater systems in the state.